

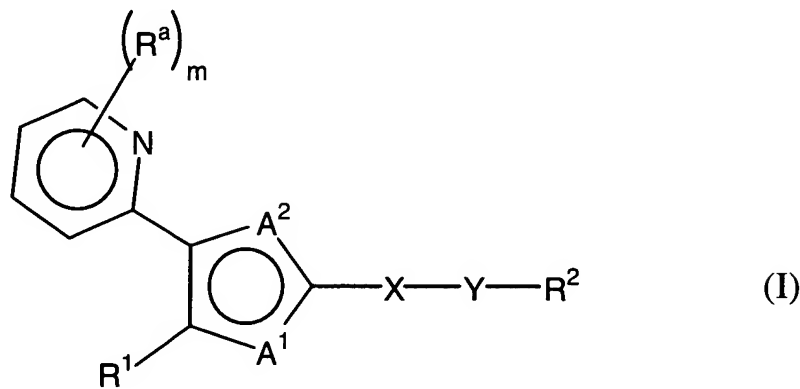
Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 1, 2, 6, 9-19, and 36 - 49 and  
please amend claims: 3-5, 7, 20-21, 26, 31-34. Amendments are shown in the claim  
listing below.

Claim Listing with amendments shown

1 -2. (Canceled)

3. (Presently Amended) A compound of the following formula:



or an N-oxide or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,

wherein

R<sup>1</sup> is aryl, heteroaryl, aralkyl, or heteroaralkyl;

each R<sup>a</sup> is independently alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy, acyl, halo, hydroxy, amino, nitro, oxo, thioxo, cyano, guanidino, amidino, carboxy, sulfo, mercapto, alkylsulfanyl, alkylsulfinyl, alkylsulfonyl, aminocarbonyl, alkylcarbonylamino, alkylsulfonylamino, alkoxycarbonyl, alkylcarbonyloxy, urea, thiourea, sulfamoyl, sulfamide, carbamoyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkyloxy, cycloalkylsulfanyl, heterocycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyloxy, heterocycloalkylsulfanyl, aryl, aryloxy, arylsulfanyl, aroyl, heteroaryl, heteroaryloxy, heteroaryl-sulfanyl, or heteroaroyl;

X is [ cycloalkyl or heterocycloalkyl- [ The compound of claim 1, wherein X is- ] piperidinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolidinyl, tetrahydrofuran, cyclohexyl, cyclopentyl, bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane, bicyclo[2.2.2]octane, bicyclo[3.2.1]octane, 2-oxa-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane, 2-aza-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane, 3-aza-bicyclo[3.2.1]octane, or 1-aza-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane [ . ] -- ; --

Y is a bond, -C(O)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -S(O)<sub>p</sub>-O-, -O-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-, -C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-, -O-C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-O-, -O-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-O-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-, -C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-, -S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-, -C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-, -C(O)-O-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-C(O)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-

S(O)<sub>p</sub>-O-C(O)-, -S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -S(O)<sub>p</sub>-, -O-, -S-, or -  
(C(R<sup>b</sup>)(R<sup>c</sup>))<sub>q</sub>-, wherein each of R<sup>b</sup> and R<sup>c</sup> is independently hydrogen, hydroxy, alkyl,  
alkoxy, amino, aryl, aralkyl, heterocycloalkyl, heteroaryl, or heteroaralkyl; p is 1 or 2;  
and q is 1-4;

R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, (cycloalkyl)alkyl,  
cycloalkenyl, (cycloalkenyl)alkyl, aryl, aralkyl, arylalkenyl, heterocycloalkyl,  
(heterocycloalkyl)alkyl, heterocycloalkenyl, (heterocycloalkenyl)alkyl, heteroaryl,  
heteroaralkyl, or (heteroaryl)alkenyl;

each of A<sup>1</sup> and A<sup>2</sup>, independently, is O, S, N, or NR<sup>b</sup>; provided that at least one of  
A<sup>1</sup> and A<sup>2</sup> is N; and

m is 0, 1, 2, or 3; provided that when m ≥ 2, two adjacent R<sup>a</sup> groups can join  
together to form a 4- to 8-membered optionally substituted cyclic moiety.

4. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim [[ 4 ]] -- 3 --, wherein X is piperidinyl, piperazinyl, or pyrrolidinyl.

5. (Original) The compound of claim 4, wherein the piperdinyl, piperazinyl, or pyrrolidinyl is bonded to Y via its nitrogen ring atom.

6. (Canceled)

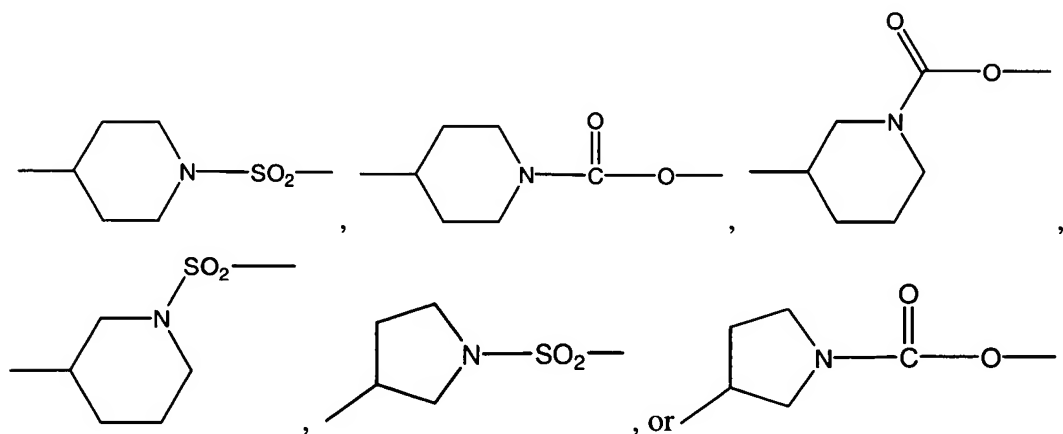
7. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim [[ 4 ]] -- 3 --, wherein X is cyclohexyl, cyclopentyl, or bicyclo[2.2.2]octane.

8. (Original) The compound of claim 7, wherein Y is -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>2</sub>-, -C(O)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -S(O)<sub>p</sub>-, -O-, -S(O)<sub>2</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-O-, or -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-.

9 - 19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim [[ 4 ]] -- 3 -- , wherein m is 0-2; R<sup>1</sup> is aryl or heteroaryl; R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, -C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl-aryl, or -C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl-heteroaryl; X is piperidinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolidinyl, tetrahydrofuran, cyclohexyl, cyclopentyl, bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane, bicyclo[2.2.2]octane, bicyclo[3.2.1]octane, 2-oxa-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane, 2-aza-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane, 3-aza-bicyclo[3.2.1]octane, or 1-aza-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane; and Y is -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>2</sub>-, -C(O)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -S(O)<sub>p</sub>-, -O-, -S(O)<sub>2</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-O-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-, -C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-, or -C(O)-O-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-.

21. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim [[ 4 ]] -- 3 -- , , wherein m is 0-2; R<sup>1</sup> is aryl or heteroaryl; R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, -C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl-aryl, or -C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl-heteroaryl; and -X-Y- is



22. (Original) The compound of claim 21, wherein A<sup>1</sup> is N and A<sup>2</sup> is NH, or A<sup>1</sup> is NH and A<sup>2</sup> is N.

23. (Original) The compound of claim 22, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is substituted phenyl.

24. (Original) The compound of claim 23, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, benzyl, or pyridylmethyl.

25. (Original) The compound of claim 24, wherein m is 1 and R<sup>a</sup> is substituted at the 6-position.

26. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim [[ 4- ]] -- 3 -- , wherein m is 0-2; R<sup>1</sup> is aryl or heteroaryl; R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub> alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, or heteroaryl-C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl; X is cyclohexyl, cyclopentyl, or bicyclo[2.2.2]octane; and Y is -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>2</sub>-, -C(O)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -S(O)<sub>p</sub>-, -O-, -S(O)<sub>2</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-O-, -N(R<sup>b</sup>)-C(O)-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-, -C(O)-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>c</sup>)-, or -C(O)-O-S(O)<sub>p</sub>-N(R<sup>b</sup>)-, wherein each of R<sup>b</sup> and R<sup>c</sup> is independently hydrogen or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl.

27. (Original) The compound of claim 26, wherein A<sup>1</sup> is N and A<sup>2</sup> is NH, or A<sup>1</sup> is NH and A<sup>2</sup> is N.

28. (Original) The compound of claim 27, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is a substituted phenyl.

29. (Original) The compound of claim 28, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, benzyl, or pyridylmethyl.

30. (Original) The compound of claim 29, wherein m is 1 and R<sup>a</sup> is substituted at the 6-position.

31. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim [[ 4- ]] -- 3 -- , , said compound being selected from the group consisting of:

4-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-sulfonyl]-benzoic acid;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-dichloro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-fluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-difluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-2-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-methanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-ethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-3-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-4-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-difluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(thiophene-2-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(5-methyl-isoxazole-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;

butane-1-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;

thiophene-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(thiophene-3-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-ethyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanol;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-2-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonitrile;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-ethyl-pyridine;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[4-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetamide;

thiophene-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;

1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;

thiophene-3-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

methanesulfonic acid 4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl ester;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetonitrile;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetic acid;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-nitro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

1-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-sulfonylmethyl}-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one;



2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-chloro-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methylamide;

2-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-sulfonylmethyl}-phenylamine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (1-methyl-5-methylsulfanyl-1H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl)-amide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid dimethylamide;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidin-1-yl}-(3-chloro-phenyl)-methanone;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methoxy-amide;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydrazide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-acetamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;

butane-1-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-amide;

propane-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-amide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-methanesulfonamide;

4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxamide;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-1-ol;

4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-sulfamide;

sulfamic acid 4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl ester;

{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonyl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonyl}-benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-acetamide;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-methanesulfonamide;

2,2,2-trifluoro-N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-acetamide;

4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

N-{4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetamide;

4-[4-(5-fluoro-6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 4-nitro-benzyl ester;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(toluene-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-chloro-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-nitro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-chloro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,4-dichloro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

3-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

3-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-4-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-3-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

3-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-hydroxy-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-pyrrolidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-3-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-3-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

{4-[2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-yl}-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-amine;

4-[2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-ylamine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(5-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-furan-3-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-ylfluoride;

(4-methoxy-benzyl)-{4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-1H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-yl}-amine;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-bromo-pyridine;

1-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidin-1-yl}-3-phenyl-propan-1-one;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,4-dichloro-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-amide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (furan-2-ylmethyl)-amide;  
2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-methanesulfonyl-pyrrolidin-3-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-  
6-methyl-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-pyrrolidin-3-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-  
yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonyl)-pyrrolidin-3-  
yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-pyrrolidin-3-yl)-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid ethylamide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid butylamide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid isopropylamide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-pyrrolidin-1-yl-methanone;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid diethylamide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexylamine;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidin-  
1-yl}-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-methanone;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-C-pyridin-4-yl-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-2,2,2-trifluoro-acetamide;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

2-(5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-piperidin-4-yl-3H-imidazol-4-yl)-pyridine;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 2-chloro-benzyl ester;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 4,5-dimethoxy-2-nitro-benzyl ester;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 3-fluoro-benzylamide;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 4-fluoro-benzylamide;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzylamide;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 4-methyl-benzylamide;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 4-methoxy-benzylamide;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 2,4-dichloro-benzylamide;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid 2-chloro-benzylamide;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid amide;

4-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-sulfonyl]-benzonitrile;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,4-dichloro-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

{5-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-sulfonyl]-naphthalen-1-yl}-dimethyl-amine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-methanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-2-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-methoxy-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

1-{4-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-sulfonyl]-phenyl}-ethanone;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-furan-2-ylmethyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-methyl-benzyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3-fluoro-5-trifluoromethyl-benzyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-cyclohexylmethyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

2-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid ethyl ester;

2-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-ylmethyl]-pyrrolidine-1-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2,2-dimethyl-[1,3]dioxolan-4-ylmethyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

1-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-2-methyl-propan-2-ol;

2-(6-amino-3-imino-3H-xanthen-9-yl)-4-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carbonyl]-benzoic acid;



1-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidin-1-yl]-ethanone;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-ethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

1-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-sulfonylmethyl]-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-p-tolylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

3-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-hydroxy-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-methoxy-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-naphthalen-1-yl-ethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-3-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

3-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-hydroxy-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

3-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-pyrrolidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-bis-trifluoromethyl-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(biphenyl-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-5H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-phenoxy-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(biphenyl-4-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-5H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-methyl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-methyl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-hydroxy-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;

4-[4-(2-chloro-pyridin-4-yl)-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3-phenoxy-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-(2-fluoro-pyridin-4-yl)-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-hydroxy-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-bromo-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-trifluoromethyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-bromo-pyridin-2-yl)-1-hydroxy-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylamine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(biphenyl-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-phenoxy-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid benzylamide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid 3-chloro-4-fluoro-benzylamide;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-chloro-benzenesulfonyl)-pyrrolidin-3-yl]-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-naphthalen-2-yl-ethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-  
3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid cyclohexylamide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid dipropylamide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (2-hydroxy-1-methyl-2-phenyl-ethyl)-amide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (1H-benzoimidazol-2-yl)-amide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (pyridin-4-ylmethyl)-amide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid benzothiazol-2-ylamide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (5,7-difluoro-benzothiazol-2-yl)-amide;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidin-  
1-yl}-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-methanone; and  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-hydroxy-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexylmethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester.

32. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim [~~1~~] -- 3 --, said compound  
being selected from the group consisting of:

4-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-  
sulfonyl]-benzoic acid;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-dichloro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-fluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-difluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-2-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-methanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-ethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-3-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-4-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-difluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(thiophene-2-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(5-methyl-isoxazole-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;

butane-1-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;

thiophene-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(thiophene-3-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-ethyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanol;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-2-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonitrile;  
2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-  
4-yl]-6-ethyl-pyridine;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanesulfonamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[4-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl]-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetamide;  
thiophene-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;  
1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-  
pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;  
thiophene-3-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
methanesulfonic acid 4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl ester;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetonitrile;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetic acid;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-nitro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

1-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-sulfonylmethyl}-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-chloro-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methylamide;

2-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-sulfonylmethyl}-phenylamine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (1-methyl-5-methylsulfanyl-1H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl)-amide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid dimethylamide;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidin-1-yl}-(3-chloro-phenyl)-methanone;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methoxy-amide;

4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydrazide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-acetamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;  
butane-1-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-amide;  
propane-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-amide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-methanesulfonamide;  
4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;  
4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;  
4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;  
4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;  
4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;  
4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-1-ol;  
4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;  
4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-sulfamide;



sulfamic acid 4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl ester;

{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonyl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonyl}-benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-acetamide;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-methanesulfonamide;

2,2,2-trifluoro-N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-acetamide;

4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

N-{4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetamide;  
4-[4-(5-fluoro-6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;  
4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic  
acid 4-nitro-benzyl ester;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(toluene-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-  
yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-chloro-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-nitro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-  
yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-chloro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-  
3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,4-dichloro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-  
yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
3-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-carboxylic  
acid benzyl ester;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-  
1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;  
3-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-  
1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-4-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-3-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-  
piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;

3-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-1-hydroxy-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-pyrrolidine-1-carboxylic acid benzyl ester;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3-trifluoromethyl-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-3-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-3-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;  
{4-[2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-yl}-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-amine;  
4-[2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-ylamine;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(5-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-furan-3-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
4-[2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-ylfluoride;  
(4-methoxy-benzyl)-{4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-1H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridin-2-yl}-amine;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;  
2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-bromo-pyridine;  
1-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidin-1-yl}-3-phenyl-propan-1-one;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,4-dichloro-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

N-[4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl]-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (pyridin-2-ylmethyl)-amide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (furan-2-ylmethyl)-amide;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-methanesulfonyl-pyrrolidin-3-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-pyrrolidin-3-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonyl)-pyrrolidin-3-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-pyrrolidin-3-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid ethylamide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid butylamide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid isopropylamide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (3-imidazol-1-yl-propyl)-amide;

{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-pyrrolidin-1-yl-methanone;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid diethylamide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylamine;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidin-1-yl}-(4-fluoro-phenyl)-methanone;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-C-pyridin-4-yl-methanesulfonamide; and  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-2,2,2-trifluoro-acetamide.

33. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim [~~1~~] -- 3 --, said compound being selected from the group consisting of:

4-[4-(4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-pyridin-2-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)-piperidine-1-sulfonyl]-benzoic acid;  
2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-dichloro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-fluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-difluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-pyridine;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-2-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-methanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-ethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-4-yl]-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(butane-1-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-3-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(pyridin-4-ylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(3,5-difluoro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(thiophene-2-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(5-methyl-isoxazole-4-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;

butane-1-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;

thiophene-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-amide;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(thiophene-3-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-  
4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-ethyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-  
carboxylic acid benzyl ester;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanol;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(propane-2-sulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-  
yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonitrile;  
2-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-(1-phenylmethanesulfonyl-piperidin-4-yl)-3H-imidazol-  
4-yl]-6-ethyl-pyridine;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanesulfonamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[4-(1H-tetrazol-5-yl)-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl]-3H-  
imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetamide;  
thiophene-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;  
1-methyl-1H-imidazole-4-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-  
pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;  
thiophene-3-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-amide;

2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-phenyl-ethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
methanesulfonic acid 4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl ester;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetonitrile;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetic acid;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-ylmethyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(2-nitro-phenylmethanesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
1-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-sulfonylmethyl}-7,7-dimethyl-bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-one;  
2-{5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-2-[1-(4-chloro-benzenesulfonyl)-piperidin-4-yl]-3H-imidazol-4-yl}-6-methyl-pyridine;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methylamide;  
2-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidine-1-sulfonylmethyl}-phenylamine;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid (1-methyl-5-methylsulfanyl-1H-[1,2,4]triazol-3-yl)-amide;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid dimethylamide;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-piperidin-1-yl}-(3-chloro-phenyl)-methanone;  
4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;



4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methoxy-amide;  
4-[5-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;  
{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexylmethyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;  
4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydrazide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexylmethyl}-acetamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexylmethyl}-methanesulfonamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexylmethyl}-C-phenyl-methanesulfonamide;  
butane-1-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-amide;  
propane-2-sulfonic acid {4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexylmethyl}-amide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexylmethyl}-C-pyridin-2-yl-methanesulfonamide;  
N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexyl}-methanesulfonamide;  
4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;  
4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;  
4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-  
yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;  
4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octan-1-ol;

4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;

4-[4-(6-cyclopropyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-sulfamide;

sulfamic acid 4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl ester;

{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-carbamic acid benzyl ester;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonyl}-methanesulfonamide;

N-{4-[4-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carbonyl}-benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-acetamide;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid;

4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid hydroxyamide;  
4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;  
N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-cyclohexyl}-  
methanesulfonamide;  
2,2,2-trifluoro-N-{4-[4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
cyclohexyl}-acetamide;  
4-[5-(3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-quinazolin-6-yl)-4-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid amide;  
N-{4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-methanesulfonamide;  
N-{4-[5-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-4-quinoxalin-6-yl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-  
bicyclo[2.2.2]oct-1-yl}-acetamide; and  
4-[4-(5-fluoro-6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-5-[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5-a]pyridin-6-yl-1H-  
imidazol-2-yl]-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane-1-carboxylic acid methyl ester.

34. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim ~~[1]~~ -- 3 -- , and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

35. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 31 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

36 - 49. (Canceled)

The last claim number is 49.